

BARBONI RESOLUTION

We, the Mineral King District Association, adamantly disagree with the Forest Service decision to terminate the Barboni cabin permit in favor of a so-called "higher use" parking area. We therefore offer the following resolution:

- Whereas: We feel that a parking lot is not a "higher use" than a cabin, camping area, or picnic area;
- Whereas: The entire Mineral King situation is in limbo with all permits tentatively expiring as of December 31, 1978, and the Barboni permit is being terminated two years in advance of all other terminations;
- Whereas: The Disney Corporation does not plan to discontinue public parking on its property at the end of the road, at this time, which is contrary to a statement made in a recent Forest Service letter concerning the Barboni permit;
- Whereas: There are clearly alternative locations for parking that would not have to displace cabins, camping sites, or picnic areas and would not unduly distract from the scenic quality of the area;
- Whereas: The Mineral King District Association has offered to help the Forest Service develop alternative parking areas in the past and has yet to receive a response to its offer;
- Whereas: It appears to the Mineral King District Association that the Forest Service is retaliating against Mrs. Barboni (a senior citizen) because of her long time interest and actions to save Mineral King from development and commercialization;
- Whereas: The Barboni cabin is an historic and well known landmark dating near the turn of the century;
- Therefore: Be it resolved that the Mineral King District Association hereby once again offers to develop an alternative parking lot for the public at no cost to the Forest Service as long as it does not displace any cabins, campgrounds, picnic areas, or unduly distracts from the scenic quality of the area. Furthermore, we request from the Forest Service a formal response to our offer.

Passed by unanimous vote at the annual meeting of the Mineral King District Association and supported unanimously by the annual meeting of the ~~Mineral King District Association~~ Federation of Western Outdoor Clubs. These two organizations represent a membership of approximately 250,000 people.

Approved for press release on Friday September 3, 1976 by the executive board of the Mineral King District Association.

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